

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 94-561-C - ORDER NO. 2002-485

JUNE 26, 2002

IN RE: Application of Consolidated Communications     ) ORDER CANCELLING  
Telecom Services, Inc. f/k/a Midwest Fibernet,     ) CERTIFICATE ✓  
Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and     )  
Necessity to Operate as a Reseller of     )  
Interexchange Telecommunications Services     )  
within the State of South Carolina.     )

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request of Consolidated Communications Telecom Services, Inc. ("CCTS" or the "Company") f/k/a Midwest Fibernet, Inc. ("MFI") to cancel the Company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina.

By facsimile transmittal dated June 17, 2002, counsel for McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. ("McLeodUSA") advised the Commission that CCTS was requesting cancellation of its Certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina due to the intra corporate merger of CCTS and McLeodUSA, whereby CCTS no longer exists as a corporate entity. CCTS's authority to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services was originally granted to MFI by Commission Order No. 95-651, dated March 16, 1995, in Docket No. 94-561-C. Thereafter, by Commission Order No. 96-338, dated May 13,

1996, in Docket No. 96-058-C, approval of an intra corporate restructuring merger was granted whereby CCTS became MFI's corporate successor.

By its request, CCTS advises the Commission that CCTS no longer exists as a corporate entity. CCTS states further that the Commission was previously advised of the non-existence of CCTS by letters dated January 13, 1998, and April 12, 2001, and attaches to its request for cancellation a copy of each of the referenced letters.

The January 13, 1998, letter regarding notification of CCTS's non-existence provides the details of the merger of McLeodUSA and CCTS and of the non-existence of CCTS, and the April 12, 2001, letter simply provides a re-notification of the merger of McLeodUSA and requests removal of CCTS from the Commission's mailing list. According to the prior notifications, CCTS no longer exists as a corporate entity pursuant to a corporate reorganization and merger by McLeodUSA and CCTS. After the reorganization, CCTS merged into McLeodUSA with McLeodUSA being the surviving corporation.

As CCTS is no longer providing the services for which its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was granted by virtue of the transfer of control approved by Commission Order No. 96-338, dated May 13, 1996, in Docket No. 96-058-C, the Commission finds and concludes that CCTS's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina should be cancelled.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina authorized

by Order No. 95-651, dated March 16, 1995, issued in Docket No. 94-561-C to Consolidated Communications Telecom Services, Inc. (f/k/a Midwest Fibernet, Inc.) is hereby cancelled.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director  
(SEAL)